JOHN McDANIEL—CHILDREN OF.

[To accompany Bill H. R. No. 642.]

APRIL 13, 1860.

Mr. Babbitt, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of James McDaniel, son of John McDaniel, a soldier of the revolution, and administrator of the estate of his widow, Margaret McDaniel, praying for relief in behalf of the surviving children of said John and Margaret McDaniel, report:

That they have had the said petition and accompanying evidence under consideration; that the evidence proves that said John McDaniel served at sundry periods in the revolutionary war as a private soldier, amounting in the whole (as he testifies) to a period of about seventeen months; that he made application to the proper department for a pension under the act of the 7th of April, 1832, to which, from the evidence, your committee are satisfied he was entitled; that a decision upon said application was suspended for further evidence, and while thus pending the said McDaniel died; that his widow, the said Margaret, to whom he was married prior to the rendering said service, instituted proceedings with a view to the obtaining of the pension to which she, as such widow, was by law entitled, in virtue of the services of her deceased husband, but died on the 7th of August, 1849, before the consummation of the said proceedings; that the present applicants are the surviving children of the said John and Margaret; that the committee are of the opinion that they are entitled to relief in the premises: but the exact length of time the said John McDaniel served not appearing, except from his own affidavit, which states it to have been about seventeen months, the committee propose to allow the petitioners the amount of pension to which the said John McDaniel at his decease, and the said Margaret at her decease, would have been entitled to for six months' services of the said John, to wit: twenty-four dollars per annum from the 4th day of March, 1831, to the 7th day of August, 1848, amounting to four hundred and fiftytwo dollars, and ask leave to introduce a bill in conformity thereto.

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